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Manchester Feb 20 1824

My Dear friend Write Sunday 1/24, with Min. of Aff. - recd

I wrote to you on the 18th but it was dated back by mistake, and informed you of my proceedings up to that day - Yesterday I recd. by the New York Packet a protest against Bishop Hobart's proceedings in relation to your mission to England, signed by Elizabeth Haywood Secretary of the Wardens & Vestry of Christ Church Cincinnati. This I trust will be useful to you in London, but of more in the country I shall therefore retain it for the present. It is ably drawn up, but rather too warm. I have not recd. any letter from you since my last, nor have I heard further from London. Now a Mr. Penny (today) from Liverpool who told me you breakfasted with him, when you were last in that town, and I am sorry to say that his opinion was that the cause did not meet with much encouragement there. He expressed very great surprise at its progress here, and told him I thought much might be done in Liverpool if friends there would exert themselves. He said he believed Mr. Buddicombe was doing what he could, and that was all he knew about it. I hope my friend Mr. Lodge will aid the cause, if he should do so, his exertions will I trust be successful.

Yesterday I delivered a few more appeals, and interested several individuals, some of whom promised me support. I was also successful in applications for subscriptions and procured the following names, & sums. James Brierly (one from Magistrate) £5. A friend to education (a Socinian) £5. Scarr Petty & Hewins £5. Gundry & Beandoe £3. Fort Bro! & Co £2.2.0 Saml Brook, £2.2.0. John Banton £1. To day I called on three friends only for subscriptions & Thos. & Robt. Parker subscribed £5.5.0. Saml. Stock, Jr. £2.2.0 & Francis Marvin £2. I delivered some appeals & called on the Warden to learn whether any thing ^{had} occurred to alter his opinion, as I was told Mr. Johnson had said so, and he informed me it was unchanged and authorised me to say so. He told me he had seen a printed paper (and he supposed it came from Battitts building, but did not know from whence it came) which expressed regret that there should be a disagreement between two dignitaries of the ^{Anglican} Church ~~in America~~, and a hope that a reconciliation ^{would} be made, or some thing similar as near as I can recollect. This will have no influence here since the Warden disregards it. The Warden said he thought Bishop Hobart had better give up his opposition to your school, and ^{to} say that it should be assisted by the General institution when able, and in the mean time you should get what assistance you could & go on as well as you could, but that it would be best to make it a Branch school. He said nothing about its government, as he is a very judicious man I consider his opinion worthy of consideration, and I think you would readily accede to his plan. If Bishop Hobart will not meet you on this ground I think his conduct will be thought injudicious.

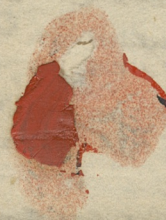
Saturday 21st - I have been engaged in my own business
this day and have not done much besides. The Rev
Mr. Piccup is unwell and confined to his bed but he
gave me the name of one subscriber Joseph Todd
£10 - You will be me go on well here and I
expect much more will be done. I have this day
recd a letter from my friend Joseph Hough Esq.
Spring Wood near Huddersfield, and he informed
me he had recd the appeals I sent him and
distributed them to the Vicar ^{of} B. H. Allen Esq.
and other friends. He desires you will make his
house your home while at Huddersfield, and that
you will let him know when you will be
there, and he will invite the Vicar & Mr.
Allen to meet you at dinner. He also
desires me to come over and pay him a visit
which I will do if I find I can leave home
You must not fail to let me know in time to
give you the meeting. I am yet busy with the
fellows of our Collegiate Church, Church Warden &
and hope to get most of them to subscribe.
Your letter of the 20th dated at York gave me very
great pleasure. The liberal donation of the Rev. Mr. Dallin
is strong evidence of the interest he took in the cause.
I hope some other dignitaries of York Minster will
be on your list of subscribers. I notice your remark that
all things are coming right. This I believe, but in order
that they may be ultimately so, you must have all
the donations made for ^{to be applied} Ohio, and have the Bishop in
Convention for your governors, and the immediate discre-
tion vested in the Bishop of Ohio. I trust you will adhere
to these points, and ^{then} consent to make your a Branch School.

I have no doubt you will get these terms, and that
they will be satisfactory by yourself and to the Committee.
When these points are settled I trust the subscrip-
tions will be more general and that Bantlett's building
people will give you support -



The Right Rev Bishop Chase
Post Office
Hull

J. Higgins
Feb 20 1824



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If this want should take place, some of the new
appeals, with a long list of names of subscribers,
would be of service to me, not so much for circu-
lation, as for the purpose of showing who supported
the cause when I was soliciting donations. Thank God,
your reflections can never give you pain and I wish
others could have the same consolation. All here join in
best wishes with Dear Sir Yours sincerely J. Higgins